UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

The Montgomery County Board of County Commissioners et al. v. Cardinal Health, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:18-op-46326-DAP ("Track Seven") MDL 2804

Case No. 1:17-md-2804

Judge Dan Aaron Polster

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE UNDER SEAL ITS MOTIONS TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN OPINIONS OF PATRICK J. MARSHALEK AND JOHN E. SCHNEIDER

This is a motion under Local Rule 5.2 seeking leave to file under seal Plaintiff's motions to exclude certain opinions disclosed by Defendants' proffered expert witnesses Patrick J. Marshalek and John E. Schneider, together with their supporting exhibits. A proposed order is attached to this motion as Exhibit 1.

Local Rule 5.2 provides, "No document will be accepted for filing under seal unless a ... court order authorizes the filing of sealed documents." Plaintiff's motions refer throughout to Marshalek's and Schneider's expert reports, which Defendants have designated confidential in their entirety under the governing protective order. *See* ECF Nos. 441, 1357. Further, the attached excerpts of the witnesses' deposition transcripts are still within the period of presumptive confidentiality. Accordingly, all of this information is subject to the Court's Order Amending Procedures Regarding Redactions and Filing of Briefs Under Seal. *See* ECF No. 1813.

Plaintiff does not believe this information warrants sealing and withholding from the public.

Nonetheless, Plaintiff seeks to comply with all applicable orders concerning designated confidential

information. Plaintiff respectfully requests to proceed in this manner so there is no inadvertent disclosure of such information.

Plaintiff therefore asks the Court to grant Plaintiff's motion and direct Defendants to indicate within three business days whether and which specific information contained in Plaintiff's motions or supporting exhibits should be redacted and remain under seal. *See* ECF No. 1813 at 5–7 (disfavoring blanket sealing and requiring specific redactions). At the end of that period, any information Defendants do not indicate should be redacted will be made available on the Court's public docket.

Dated: February 7, 2023 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 7, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court by using the CM/ECF system and may be obtained by using the CM/ECF system. Copies will be served upon counsel of record by, and may be obtained through, the Court CM/ECF system.

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